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## DEATH.

On November 2nd, at Hongkong, ANNA, the  
beloved wife of Captain H. E. Enoch, aged 31.  
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 4TH, 1907.

In an article in the *Bibliothèque Universelle* in which he dealt with the probable drift of events during the present century, W. TALLICKER, the well known political writer, ventured upon a prognostication as regards foreign relations with China, which has proved singularly correct, and is of special interest at the present time. Referring to the virtual failure of the joint expedition directed by Field Marshall WALTERS, which did not result in anything that could be looked upon as solid, he points out that from this time the ideas of partition of the Chinese, which had then been looked upon as a possible solution of the Chinese question, became very much modified. The facts which expedient brought to light showed very clearly the dangers which would attend any such partition and the doubtful benefits which would accrue to those who might be concerned in such a step. The writer pertinently asks:—"What would European Powers gain even if a partition could be arrived at amicably as among themselves?" and he adds: "Europe is not capable of digesting so heavy a piece. There is among the Chinese people, a power of passive

resistance in face of which foreign conquest is bound to fail. Probably only Japan might be capable of effecting a transformation, because she is Asiatic and has achieved such a transformation in her own country; but between Europeans and Chinese, the abyss is too wide to be filled up by force. In reality what Europe desires is the opening and development of a large market for its industry and commerce. One of the most certain ways of paralyzing and annulling this would probably be to seize upon it by main force, thus to induce the Chinese to combine secretly against the intruders by boycotting their wares."

With respect to the last suggested step, the writer overestimates the danger. The instincts of the Chinese for trade are such that, fond as they are of combinations, these do not work so much injury as might in an ordinary way be expected. This is probably to be accounted for partly by some underhand evasion of the boycott by the Chinese themselves; and partly because the boycott is not adhered to for a sufficiently long period. It is not in respect to commerce that combinations would have to be chiefly feared, though considerable inconvenience might, as has often been the case, be experienced from them. The political combinations are the chief difficulty that would have to be faced; and it is scarcely likely that any European power would be able to deal effectively with them. The Chinese are past masters in the formation and conduct of secret societies. The Empire is riddled with such factious combinations in all directions, and they are notoriously the chief obstacle to effective government of the country. If the Chinese with all their shrewdness and knowledge of their own countrymen are unable to deal with them, the chances of any foreign government, however good, being able to do so are at least very problematical. Our experience in this respect in the Straits Settlements, with the "Ghee-Shing" and "To-Pai Kong" societies is certainly not encouraging, and the difficulty there is, of course, infinitesimal as compared with the extensive secret societies in China itself, whose force might be directed against any foreign conqueror as it is now exerted against the Chinese Government. This difficulty has of late become appreciated to something like its true extent by European nations; but it is by no means the only one which stares them in the face. A partition of China, though it might be effected amicably among foreign nations at the time, would before long become a constant source of friction and jealousy among the foreign nations themselves, and, in this way would lead to a danger of the disturbance of the peace, far more serious than any that is likely to arise through the fault of the Chinese Government, even as it now is. These and other considerations of the same kind have very much reduced the attractiveness of a policy of annexation in China; and the feeling at the present time is adverse to any such idea. There is, of course, the danger that under such circumstances, an opening might be left for Japan to do what European nations are wisely averse to attempting. Under such circumstances, the conventions which have been arrived at with Japan, as to respecting the integrity of China, are manifestly in the interests of peace, at all events for many years to come. The surprise perhaps is that Japan should have been so ready to enter into such understandings, which, if she harboured any ideas of annexations in China, as is so much suspected, are manifestly a restraint upon her. Why the Chinese should have objected to conventions, which are so obviously to her advantage, it is very difficult to understand. The effect of them is to give her every opportunity of effecting the improvements in her internal administration, which she declares herself ready to inaugurate, but they render it necessary for her to make a genuine effort in this direction, and to honestly face the danger to her integrity which has so long existed and which is within and not without. If the internal administration of China is gradually improved she will be able to hold her own and to maintain her position among the nations of the world. The only thing that will prevent this would be another great rising such as the Tai Ping Rebellion which would break up her integrity from within; and of this she is fully aware. This danger can be averted by reasonable reform honestly undertaken. It need not wholly be a foreign pattern, but it must be so to the extent of removing the just causes of complaint on the part of the people, in the form of arbitrariness, venality and corruption, which have all along been far greater enemies to China and have far more threatened her integrity and independence than any foreign nation ever has been or is at all likely to be in the present day.

Saturday, November 9th, being the birthday of His Majesty, will be kept as a public holiday in the Colony.

Tenders are called in the *Gazette* for the erection of a bungalow, servants quarters and stable building for the use of Government Officials at Tai-po.

Three hundred and twenty wasps have been caught in one day by means of a jar of beer hung outside a house in Berkshire. This ought to take the sting out of the most vituperative temperance oration ever delivered.

Among the vessels arriving 1st week was the German cruiser *Arcona*, which has been commissioned for work in the East for some years. The *Arcona* carries twelve officers and 261 of a crew.

For the last few evenings there has been a grand pyrotechnic display at the Happy Retreat restaurant, Happy Valley, and on each evening numerous spectators promenade the pretty grounds of this well-known restaurant and admire the fireworks, of which there will be another display this evening.

It is notified by the Military Authorities that musketry field firing will be carried out between 8 a.m. 1 p.m., on the 4th inst. from Customs Pass to Hebe Hill; on the 5th from bottom of Customs Pass in an easterly direction and on the 8th on the Southern Slopes of Beacon Hill in a north-westerly direction.

The Harbour Master notifies that all persons intending to apply for Seamen's Boating House Licences for the year 1917-1918 under Section 6 of Ordinance 10 of 1899 should send in their applications in writing to his Office, on or before Friday, the 15th November, 1907, stating accurately the position of the house. Before a licence can be issued, the applicant will be required to produce the consent of a Police Magistrate.

At Grand Ronchin, Nord, a wedding has taken place under circumstances which are quite out of the common. On the same day Mme. Duplons celebrated the 104th anniversary of her birth; her eldest son, M. Duplons, and his wife, their golden wedding; her granddaughter, and her husband, M. Gossart, their silver wedding; and her great granddaughter, Mlle. Gossart, was married to M. Mallier. Fifty-seven members of the family were present at the wedding.

It now appears that the E. E. A. and C. Telegraph Company were not responsible for an exaggeration in our telegram about the Bokara earthquake. The original telegram stated that it was believed 15,000 people had been buried through this disaster. On Friday the Company forwarded a correction stating that the number buried should have been 15,000. Now, probably from further information received, they again place the number of buried at 15,000.

That funny comedy, "The Earl and the Girl" was the Bandman Opera Company's selection to amuse a large audience at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night. The frequent snoring of the delighted spectators emphasized the fact that the play staged was a decided success, and when the curtain dropped few, if any, of those present left the hall without feeling satisfied that they had had their money's worth of fun from the skillful actors and actresses who constitute the Bandman Co.

Mr. Balfour, M.P., speaking at King's Lynn, said Trafalgar gave us a century of peace on the ocean, and a century of naval peace had blinded many good people to the possibilities of naval war. The naval estimates had been cut down by 84 millions in the last three years, and each decrease had been met by a German increase. So long as the Government adhered to the two-Power standard he would enthusiastically support them, but if they broke their promises he would fight them. Better Lord Tweedmouth a fallen Minister than England a fallen State.

Because of that cocktail story, already reported, Vice-President Fairbanks has been defeated for the post of delegate to the Methodist Episcopal General Conference. Mr. Fairbanks's chances at first seemed very bright, but his enemies said it was "unmethodist and unchristian" for him to have the President at luncheon, where alcoholic beverages were served. It was argued that Mr. Fairbanks himself did not drink the cocktails, and that the crime, if any, was the caterer's but the views of the temperance party prevailed, and another delegate was appointed.

An official report received from the Governor of the Panama Canal zone states that during the month of September over a million and a half cubic yards of material were excavated, which constitutes a record. The great steam shovels are doing splendidly, and the work is everywhere going on satisfactorily. At the beginning of this year it was estimated that 53 million cubic yards remained to be excavated, so that at the present rate of progress the work should be finished long before 1915, the date usually fixed for the opening of the canal. A single steam shovel will excavate 1000 cubic yards a day.

The International Shipping Committee met again under the presidency of Signor Margheri, Deputy of the Italian Chamber. The text was approved of the proposal drawn up in agreement with the British and American delegates regarding the limitation of the responsibility of shipowners. The case of loss of life or personal injuries was, however, not included. The debate was of such a heated character that once the president was obliged to adjourn the meeting. Finally, the Conference adopted by acclamation the resolution on the subject of the conflicting nature of the laws concerning freight. This concluded the business of the Conference.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Mr. J. Morris to be chief accountant on Kowloon Canton Railway construction, with effect from October 31st.

Experiments have recently been made with an inflammable paste on bullets. When the bullet leaves the muzzle the paste ignites, leaving a stream of smoke behind it, and enabling the marksman to watch its course, and, if necessary, correct his aim for the next shot.

Memorials of re-entry by the Government of Lantau Island, Demarcation District 311, Lot No. 481; Demarcation District 313, Lot No. 63; Demarcation District 317, Lot No. 338; Demarcation District 318, Lot Nos. 1-11, 1790; Demarcation District 328, Lot No. 77; Demarcation District 333, Lot No. 439; and Tung Chung, Demarcation District I, Lot Nos. 1560, 2851, 2856; Demarcation District V, Lot No. 326, have been registered according to law.

The only town ruled by women is situated in O. In this, we learn from the "Young Woman," is East Claridon, and, with one or two unimportant exceptions, it is entirely and completely under petticoat administration. The town is not a woman's rights stronghold, yet the women have all the places—public jobs, professional offices, and, with two exceptions, are at the head of all the commercial enterprises. Most remarkable is the fact that at East Claridon there is no rivalry between the men and the women. Women hold, among others, the following important positions: Acting clergyman, resident physician, postmaster, wagoner, hotel proprietor, church sexton.

The foundation-stone of the new dry docks in course of construction on the river Tees was laid by Sir Hugh Bell, the Lord Lieutenant of the North Riding and chairman of the Tees Conservancy Commissioners. The docks are situated at Cargo Fleet, and are being built by Messrs. Smiths Dock Company (Limited). They are 550ft. and 450ft. long, and have a width of 67ft. and 61ft. respectively, with a depth at the sill of 28ft. in each case. The work is a private venture; it was begun in the early part of the present year, and it is expected that it will be finished in the autumn. At present the Conservancy Commissioners have a small dock, but large vessels have to go to the Tyne and the Wear for repairs.

Winklesbury Camp, near Basingstoke, which has recently been sold, has a history as ancient as, if not indeed older than, that of Stonehenge itself. It was in existence at the time when the Romans invaded the islands, and was evidently occupied by them, but its origin probably dates back to about the year B.C. 1800, or one thousand years before the foundation by Romulus of the Rome of the Caesars. The Camp, which stands close to the old Roman road between Winchester and Silchester, must therefore have been a settlement of the Ancient Britons, and several relics to substantiate this have been discovered. No organized archaeological exploration, as in the case of Silchester in the same county, has ever been undertaken. As its name implies—the termination "bury" signifying a "barrow," or burial place—Winklesbury Camp contained a burial ground, part of which at least has been located. One of the tunnels has been partially explored, and the examination revealed horns, teeth, bones, burnt earth, and fragments of ancient British pottery. Three relics were submitted to the Natural History Department of the British Museum, and the teeth, as well as the horns, were identified as belonging to the Bos longifrons, or Celtic shorthorn, a breed of cattle which appertained to the later centuries of the Neolithic period.

Evidently the criticism at times directed against the financial policy of our Eastern ally has attracted the attention of Mr. Reijiro Wakatsuki, who is in England in his capacity as Imperial Japanese Financial Commissioner. He has, therefore, written a brief but very telling article for the coming number of the "Financial Review of Reviews," in which he explains the changes and incidence of the debt of Japan in recent years. He at once points out that whilst the debt in 1898 stood at 421 million yen, it had now risen to a grand total of 2,170 million yen. Of the amount about 1655 million yen represents war loans, which the Government have already commenced to reduce vigorously. Every year 110 million yen at least will be set aside as a sinking fund to cancel this part of the debt, besides which there are other sinking funds. Thus in the last Budget a further 39 million yen was devoted towards the extinction of loans existing before the war, and 17 million yen to the extinction of the debt created by the recent purchase of the railways. Thus every care is being taken for the adequate redemption of the debt, and the only fear is whether the rise in taxation required by this effort will be too much for the resources of the people. On this point Mr. Wakatsuki appears to be very satisfied, and he calculates that the taxation is still light, being only a little more than 5 yen—say, 10s. to 11s.—per head.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## A CHESS PROBLEM.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—Will you permit me, through the medium of your paper, to ask the following question in chess to some of your readers who are interested in the game?

This was the position arrived at when the point in dispute arose:—

WHITE.	BLACK.
K. on Q. Kt. 3	K. on Q. Kt. 3
Kt. " Q. B. 3	P. " Q. B. 2
P. " Q. B. 4	P. " Q. R. 3
Kt. " Q. Kt. 5	R. " K. B. 6
R. " Q. 7	
B. " K. R. 7	

Now, can the black king move to Q. Kt. 4? The contention is that the king can move to that square since the white Kt. is unable to move on account of the check by the black rook.—Yours etc.

CHES-BOARD.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

## JAPANESE EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY.

Tokyo, November 3rd.

At the Imperial birthday review, held to celebrate His Majesty's natal day, the march past was a record one, troops to the number of forty thousand taking part. There was an enormous gathering of the public. In the evening the Foreign Minister gave a birthday banquet and ball.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## THE MUTINY OF THE DESTROYER.

"SKORY" AT VLADIVOSTOK.

LONDON, October 31st.

News has been received from Vladivostok of the mutiny of the Destroyer *Skory* which bombarded the town. The fire of the mutineers was returned by a gunboat and three other destroyers, also by the land batteries. The ring leaders of the mutiny were killed, and the *Skory* riddled with shot had to be run ashore to prevent her sinking. The survivors were arrested.

LATER.

In the engagement between the loyal destroyers and the mutinous *Skory* the loyal boats approached the *Skory*, on three sides and bombarded her heavily until the boilers of the *Skory* exploded; there were only three survivors. A plan for a simultaneous mutiny on shore failed, and from two to three score of the mutineers were shot by the loyal chasseur.

## THE KNICKERBOCKER TRUST CO.

LONDON, October 31st.

The Knickerbocker Trust Co., is pronounced solvent.

## THE BRITISH TERRITORIAL ARMY.

LONDON, October 31st.

Mr. Haldane speaking at Blyth said that the Government had decided definitely and finally to offer Wales a Welsh Territorial Division, commanded by a Welsh General.

## THE BRITISH NAVY.

LONDON, November 1st.

The Admiralty has invited tenders for the third battleship included in the current estimates, but postponed pending the result of the Hague Conference.

## THE SCANDALS IN GERMANY.

LONDON, November 1st.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* announces that the public prosecutor has begun proceedings against Prince Philip Eulenburg and three ex-officers of high rank.

## CENTENARY OF THE PROTESTANT MISSIONS IN CHINA.

LONDON, November 1st.

A very crowded meeting was held at the Albert Hall to commemorate the centenary of the Protestant Mission in China. Sympathetic letters were received from the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London, and Sir Ernest Satow wrote urging toleration, and saying that the Missionaries ought to learn the teachings of the Chinese Sages and Doctors before undertaking to re-place them, also that the Missionaries should refrain from intervening between converts and the Chinese Magistrates. The main thing needful was more workers and more money.

## RUSSIA.

LONDON, November 1st.

Several military clerks have been arrested in St. Petersburg and revealed a plot to bomb the whole military council, including the Minister of War at the weekly sitting.

## MICROBES LIKE MICE.

WOMEN FRIGHTENED INTO A LOVE FOR FRESH AIR.

A professor of hygiene, according to the London correspondent of the "Scotsman" has frightened the workers in three Hoxton factories into a wholesome respect for fresh air. They were all women, and an ignorant majority who suffered from the fatuous idea that fresh air meant colds and refused to allow the windows to be opened, and the proprietors were powerless until they thought of the professor and a lantern lecture.

The proprietors suggested what his services were wanted for, and the professor brought with him a series of lantern slides showing on the screen microbes magnified as large as mice. The effect was instantaneous. A shudder went through the audience, and next day all the windows in the factory were open.

The girls in the other two factories were entertained on the two following nights to the same lecture and the same lantern slides, and the results were identical—no more closed windows whatever the character of the weather.

"The success of the experiment got noised abroad, and other factory owners who found it impossible to keep the atmosphere passably wholesome are calling in the same professor to repeat his lecture on the evils of unventilated rooms."

## POLICE COURT.

Saturday November 2nd.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## LARCENY.

A coolie named Tan Leung-shing went to the Po Hing theatre at West Point on Friday night, and took such a fancy to the pretty costumes worn by the actors that he decided to take some from their dressing room, should opportunity offer. He was successful in getting into this room, but was arrested when leaving with a pair of fancy shoes and a dressing case. His Worship sentenced the defendant to six weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

## A COLLISION.

The master of a truck appeared before His Worship to answer a charge of negligent driving. A private ricksha was being drawn along Connaught Road West, and was met by the defendant's truck, which was being drawn by several coolies. The truck's failure to comply with the rules of the road resulted in a collision with the ricksha, in which the latter was damaged to the extent of \$10. His Worship ordered the head truckman to pay this amount as compensation.

## ALLEGED ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Cha Luk, a shop coolie residing at Yaumti, went for a quiet walk along Station Street on Friday night. His day's work was over, and as he sauntered carelessly along, admiring the different stalls he passed, he did not observe that a man was following him. When a quiet part of the busy thoroughfare was reached Cha was confronted by a man who dealt him a blow over the right eye which felled him. As he fell his assailant jumped on top of him, relieved him of \$2 he had in his pocket, and fled. Notwithstanding that he was dazed, Cha succeeded in struggling to his feet, and being joined with others, set off in pursuit of the alleged robber, who was caught on the roof of a house in a village close by. The defendant was charged before His Worship, and the case was adjourned.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MALBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## "WANTED" AT MANILA.

Application was made for the extradition of a Spaniard named Jose Manresa to Manila on charges of embezzlement. Defendant pleaded guilty, and the case was adjourned.

"INFRINGING THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S RIGHTS."

A native named Wan Chuan was presented by Detective-Sergeant Sullivan for infringing the exclusive rights of the Postmaster-General, and pleaded guilty.

Mr. McE. Messer, Postmaster-General, informed his Worship that the police seized three bundles of letters on board China Merchants steamers on three different days last month. On the 1st October the first bundle, which contained 400 letters, fell into the hands of the police; the next bundle of 300 letters on the 15th, and the third and last bundle, which held 300 covers also, on the 10th. In one of the bundles, Mr. Messer stated, seventy-four letter bills were found. This showed that the business had been going on for years and that the offence had been committed seventy-four times. Since this business had been carried on the loss to the Post Office would be about £2 a week.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$200, the alternative being three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

## STATE FOREST IN SCOTLAND.

An Edinburgh Correspondent says:—The Government have just completed negotiations for the purchase of the estate of Inverlaver, by the shores of Loch Awe, Argyllshire, for the purpose of a State forest. The proprietor was Colonel Macdonald, of Poltalloch, and the extent of the property is over 12,000 acres. Preliminary work connected with an important scheme of silviculture will shortly begin.

Situated in one of the most sparsely-populated parts of Argyllshire, the estate at present has no standing timber, but it is regarded as a suitable place for the growing of conifers—larch, Scots fir, &c. The price is said to be about £30,000. For many years past the Royal Scottish Arboricultural Society and other interested in the afforestation of Scotland have urged the Government to purchase such a property, where working foresters and others could gain a practical knowledge. The Departmental Committee which inquired into the subject a few years ago made recommendations regarding the three parts of the kingdom. The matter was attended to in England and Ireland, but nothing was done for Scotland. The Committee in its report stated that there were no fewer than twenty-one million acres in the United Kingdom suitable for timber growing which were at present practically unproductive. A large proportion of this acreage is in Scotland, and when this estate of Inverlaver is in working order it will afford a valuable object-lesson to owner of waste lands as to what can be done to grow timber at a profit if the work is properly managed. To Mr. Munro Ferguson, M.P., more than to any other it is due that Government have at last recognised the claims of Scotland in this important matter.

## MR. PLOWDEN AND DIVISIONAL SURGEONS.

Although, the family doctor may be doomed to disappear, the divisional surgeon would appear to be in a flourishing state.

In looking over the list of cases of intoxication Mr. Plowden remarked at the Marylebone Police Court that the doctor seemed to have been called in each case.

"If this is a fair sample of a day's work, it makes one long to be a doctor," he said. "A simpler road to a large fortune I never saw." "You must join the army of martyrs," he told the prisoner in the dock, "and pay the doctor 7s. 6d."

A man with a black eye was the next prisoner, and the magistrate asked what the doctor said in this case.

"Drunk, with a contused orbit," stated the clerk.

"Seven and sixpence is moderate for that," said Mr. Plowden to the prisoner. "You or I would call it a black eye. But a 'contused orbit'! That is worth 7s. 6d."







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The Public is further informed that it is strictly prohibited to pay any Commission or Remuneration whatever to any Member of the Company's Staff in connection with any Tender or Purchase.

WONG CHIU LING,  
Vice-President.  
Canton, 1st November, 1907. 1785

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,  
LONDON, COLOMBO AND  
SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

"KANAGAWA MARU,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of plate cutlery, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godown and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 10th inst., or Claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 31st October, 1907. 1762

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,  
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,  
the 5th November, 1907, at 11 A.M. at Messrs. BLACKBURN & CO.'S Godown, Kowloon,  
43 Pieces GALVANIZED IRON WIRE  
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HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1907. 1757

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that MUSKETRY FIELD FILING will be carried out as under:

On the 31st October, 2nd and 8th November, between 8 A.M. and 1 P.M., on the Southern Slope of Beacon Hill in a North-Westerly direction.

On MONDAY, the 4th November, from Customs Pass to Hebe Hill.

On TUESDAY, the 5th November, from bottom of Customs Pass in an Easterly direction.

F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.  
Hongkong, 30th October, 1907. 1793

## NOTICE.

HOPKINS' BUTCHERY AT SHANGHAI is again prepared to execute the Orders of its PATRONS in Hongkong for PRIME BEEF—Fresh, Spiced and Corned GAME, GAME PIE, PORK PIES, BROWN SAUSAGES, &c.

Shanghai, 1st November, 1907. 1747

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AUTOMOBILE—TANNIN FOR PAIN ACHIE.

The irritation which causes the deposition of  
pearls appears to be variously produced. In a  
new report on the pearl oyster fisheries of  
Ceylon, Prof. W. A. Hardman states that some  
pearls appear to be formed around grains of  
sand, and some of inferior quality are probably  
disease calculi, but most and the best pearls are  
deposited around a parasitic worm. Pearls ex-  
crescences on the interior of the shell are due  
to irritation caused by boring animals. Besides  
these there are (1) amorphous pearls where the  
nucleus and resulting pearl lie between the  
shell and the body, (2) muscle pearls, formed  
around minute calcareous concretions near the  
insertions of the muscles; and (3) cyst pearls,  
formed around encysted parasites. The artificial  
infection of oysters in Ceylon, which has been  
proposed, seems unnecessary, as the parasites  
are likely to find all pearl oysters unaided.

The discovery that picric acid will at once  
relieve the pain of burns and cause speedy heal-  
ing was made accidentally, by Dr. Thierry, of  
the Paris Charity Hospital. Use of picric acid  
as an antiseptic impregnated his hands with the  
solution, and he noticed one day that a lighted  
match dropped on his hand caused no pain and  
a little later that cauterizing the skin by hot  
wax was unfeeling. Experiment then showed that  
the saturated solution of picric acid prevented  
blisters and cured the burns completely in four  
or five days.

An ordinary steam locomotive can draw its  
own weight up a five per cent grade. The  
locomotive for the new Puy de Dome road fitted  
with the Hancock system of adherence wheels  
pressing against a middle rail, is expected to  
take three loaded trailers up a 12 per cent. rise  
at 7½ miles per hour.

The culture in France of the soy-bean, whose  
products are so important in the dietary of the  
Chinese and Japanese, is being urged by  
Chinists in Paris. A pure pressed from the  
boiled seeds yields both milk and cheese,  
climber with water producing a very good  
substitute for animal milk, and coagulating  
with a mineral salt fitting the material for  
cheese-making. The cheese is usually eaten  
fresh, though it may be preserved by salting or  
smoking, first being cooked. Three varieties of  
the cheese are common in Oriental markets—a  
fermented kind being white, yellow or gray in  
color, with a pungent taste like that of  
Roquefort; while another sort is salty and  
white, like goats' milk cheese; and the third is  
smoking and resembles Gruyere. The soy-  
cheese costs about a fifth as much as animal  
cheese, while the nutritive value of both this  
and the vegetable milk compares very favorably  
with the ordinary products from the cow.

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Holland have demonstrated the great value of  
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inroads of the sea. By the system of State  
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secured to wooden piles or laid upon stable  
earth, and piers and groynes are thrown out  
vertically from the shore to break up the waves,  
where the action is especially violent. On sand  
downs the concrete is laid upon straw matting  
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armoring. The wear of the waves upon the  
smooth concrete facing is very slight where  
masonry walls are quickly destroyed, and em-  
bankments, sloping beaches and downs are  
protected at half the cost of any other method.

The new colored wood of a Norwegian firm  
is produced by forcing the sap from green logs  
and injecting dyes. The treated wood has in-  
creased durability, will not warp, may be pol-  
ished in the usual manner, and most of the colors  
are claimed to be as stable as that of mahogany.  
The material is especially suitable for furniture.

An optimistic view of radiotherapy is taken  
by the British Dermatological Society, which  
has decided that Roentgen rays are practically  
a specific for numerous skin diseases, curing or  
benefitting acne, lupus, eczema, psoriasis,  
pruritus, tinea, and others including even can-  
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skin only, all were cured, with no recurrence.  
Dr. Justin found no recurrence after two years,  
and he considers the use of the knife, necessary  
only in certain cases favorable to operation.  
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space for the chains operating the rear wheels,  
is mounted on axles passing through water-  
tight tubes, has a screw-propeller and a rudder  
in addition to the four wheels, and is driven  
by a twenty horse-power motor. It has the  
speed-changing, reversing and other features of  
the ordinary automobile. In water it is  
operated like any boat, and its motor wheels  
take it up banks with a slope of not more than  
fifteen per cent, while a tackle and windlass  
pull it up steeper inclines.

Neuralgia from unsound teeth is very com-  
mon at Ischia, Austria, and a local dentist has  
succeeded in discovering a remedy in tannin,  
which he applies to the gums as a lotion of  
two parts of tannic acid in ten parts of rectified  
spirit. Almost every kind of dental pain is  
relieved, while loose teeth are made tight and  
given power for mastication.

The alleged increase in insanity in England  
and Wales is found by Noel A. Humphreys  
to be not proven, the apparent increase being  
explained by the changes in the degree and  
nature of mental unsoundness for which asylum  
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## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their weekly  
share report, dated November, 2nd 1907.—A  
very limited business only has been done during  
the week under review, and there are but few  
changes to report. The sterling demand rate  
of exchange on London closes at 2s. 0-7/16d.,  
while rates on Shanghai are Tls. 73½ for a Bank  
T/T and Tls. 74½ for a three days sight Private  
Bill. Barsilver is London in quoted 27½d., and  
Consols 82½.

BANK SHARES.—Several lots of Hongkong  
and Shanghai sold at 89½ and 88½ for old,  
and 89½ and 88½ for new shares, the market  
closing with sellers at the higher rates; the  
London rates are 87½ and 87½ respectively.  
Nationals sold at 85½.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—A few Un-  
ions fetched 780. China Traders have buyers  
at 89½ and North Chinas at 73½ Tls. while Yang-  
tzeas have sellers at 81½ and Cantsans at 82½.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong sold  
at 83½ to 84½, closing, with buyers at 83½.  
Chinas are firm at 87, after sales at 85½ and  
87.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and  
Macao Steamboat Shares changed owners at  
82½ to 82½ closing with buyers at 82½. Indo-  
China have sellers at 41 for preference and  
82½ for deferred shares (combined 870), while in  
the north sales have been effected at Tls. 50;  
the London rates are unchanged. China and  
Manila have buyers at 15, Douglasas are quiet  
at 37½, and Star Ferries are wanted at 82½ for  
old and 81½ for new shares. Shell Transports  
can be got at 43s.; London quoted 43s. 3d.  
sellers. Union Waterboats have sellers at 11½.

MINING SHARES.—Charbonnages are un-  
changed. Roubin sold at 89 and 89½; the  
Hongkong Telegraph of 29th ultimo, prints the  
mining managers' report for the four weeks  
ended 5th ultimo. Chinese Engineering and  
Mining Shares have buyers at Tls. 14½ ex the  
final dividend of 1s. 6d. per share payable to-day;  
the total output of the Company's three mines  
for the week ending 12th ultimo, amounted to  
24,975 tons of coal, and the sales during the  
same period to 18,308 tons. At the annual  
general meeting, held in London on 22nd ultimo,  
a final dividend of one shilling and six pence per  
share free of tax has been declared by the  
directors of this Company, thus making a total  
of 15 per cent. for the year ending 29th February,  
1907. Coupon No. 9 is payable to-day at the  
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,  
and the Russo-Chinese Bank at Peking and  
Shanghai.

DRUGS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hong-  
kong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s share are for  
sale at 8103. Fenwicks have sellers at 116, and  
New Amoy Docks Shares at 111. Shanghai  
Docks have enquiries in the north at Tls. 73½.  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves sold at 867.  
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have improv-  
ed in the north to buyers at Tls. 202.

LANDS, HOUSES AND BUILDINGS.—Un-  
changed and without business.  
CORROX MILLS.—Evos have dropped to Tls.  
55, and Internationals to Tls. 52. Lau Kung  
Mills are quoted Tls. 90, and Sooyeehees Tls.  
280. Hongkong Cottons go for 103½.  
SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—  
China Light and Powers are wanted at 86.  
Hongkong Electric sold at 814½. Green  
Island Cement sold at 81½ and 81½, closing  
with sellers at the higher figure. Other stocks  
under this heading are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China-Borneo have been  
done and continue in request at 810. China  
Fertilizers have sellers at 89½ (probably at 89½).  
After reported sales at 89½ and 89½, Langkats  
have advanced in the north to Tls. 315 buyers;  
the following telegraphic information, dated 16th  
ult., has been received from the Samatra di-  
rector and manager in Langkat: "Daily aggregate  
output of crude petroleum 91,000 gallons; crude  
petroleum in tanks at date 250,000 gallons;  
kerosene made since the date of the preceding  
half-monthly telegram 84,000 cases; kerosene  
shipped since 89,000 cases, and kerosene in stock  
at refinery at date 61,000 cases." Watkins sold  
at 82½. Wm. Powells sold and have buyers at  
83½. Watsons have sellers at 81½. Other  
stocks under this heading are unchanged and  
without transactions.

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